

**United States Court of Appeals**  
**FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT**

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No. 03-2682

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Steven Anthony Walker,

Appellant,

v.

Leroy Meadows, Sheriff of Mississippi  
County; Jesse C. Ephlin, originally sued  
as Jesse Ephlier, Captain at Mississippi  
County Detention Center,

Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States  
District Court for the  
Eastern District of Arkansas.

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Submitted: September 26, 2003

Filed: September 30, 2003

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Before BYE, BOWMAN, and MELLOY, Circuit Judges.

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PER CURIAM.

Arkansas inmate Steven Walker brought a 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action claiming officials denied him access to the courts by not providing him with law books and free legal-mail materials during his pretrial detention, with the result that he was

unable to prepare for trial and was convicted. The district court<sup>1</sup> granted defendants summary judgment, and Walker appeals.

Upon de novo review, see Owens v. Scott County Jail, 328 F.3d 1026, 1026 (8th Cir. 2003) (per curiam), we note that during his detention Walker was represented by counsel in his criminal proceedings, and we conclude summary judgment was proper for the reasons stated by the district court. Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

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<sup>1</sup>The Honorable Stephen M. Reasoner, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, adopting the report and recommendations of the Honorable Henry L. Jones, Jr., United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.